GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:248
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2003
IMPORT OF COCONUT OIL
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether import of coconut oil has increased during the last one year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government are aware that the domestic edible oil industry has been affected due to the import of coconut oil; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to protect coconut growers in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.248 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 07-03-2003 IN THE LOK SABHA.

(a)&(b): The requisite information in respect of the import of coconut oil is as under:-

(in MTs)

Year	Quantity
2001-2002	23608
2002-2003	
(April-October, 2002)	21268

Source: Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT)

(c)&(d): No adverse impact is reported in this behalf.